

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraph 1 on page 1 of the specification as follows:

The present invention relates to pull-on disposable wearing articles for absorption and containment of bodily discharges. The present application is based on, and claims priority from, Japanese Application Serial Number 2003-38977, filed January 10, 2003, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.